

The Prelude

He Had No Place to Lay His Head

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Advent Acclamation

Prepare Ye the Way

Soloist: Laura Demms

The Lighting of the Advent Candle

v. 4 and 5



1. Light the Ad - vent can - dle, one: Now the
2. Light the Ad - vent can - dle, two: Think of
3. Light the Ad - vent can - dle, three: Think of
4. Light the Ad - vent can - dle, four: Think of
5. Light the Christ - mas can - dles, now: Sing of



wait - ing has be - gun; we have start - ed
hum - ble shep - herds, who filled with won - der
heaven - ly har - mo - ny; an - gels sing - ing
joy for - ev - er - more; Christ Child in a
don - key, sheep, and cow; birth - day can - dles



on our way, time to think of Christ - mas day.
at the sight of the child of Christ - mas night.
"Peace on earth" at the bless - ed Sav - ior's birth.
sta - ble born, gift of love that Christ - mas morn.
for the King, let the al - le - lu - ias ring.

The Opening Hymn 87

Hark! the Herald Angels Sing

1 Hark! the her-ald an - gels sing glo - ry to the new-born King!
 2 Christ, by high-est heaven a - dored; Christ, the ev - er - last - ing Lord;
 3 Mild he lays his glo - ry by, born that we no more may die,

Peace on earth and mer - cy mild, God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled!
 late in time be - hold him come, off - spring of the Vir - gin's womb.
 born to raise us from the earth, born to give us sec - ond birth.

Joy - ful, all ye na - tions, rise, join the tri-umph of the skies;
 Veiled in flesh the God-head see; hail the in-car-nate De - i - ty.
 Risen with heal-ing in his wings, light and life to all he brings,

with the an-gel - ic host pro - claim Christ is born in Beth - le - hem!
 Pleased as man with us to dwell; Je - sus, our Em - man - u - el!
 hail, the Sun of Right-eous-ness! hail, the heaven-born Prince of Peace!

Refrain

Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing glo - ry to the new-born King!

The people standing if able, the Celebrant says

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Celebrant then continues

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Gloria: Hymn 96

Angels We Have Heard On High *v. 1—2*

1 An - gels we have heard on high, sing - ing sweet - ly through the night,
2 Shep - herds, why this ju - bi - lee? Why these songs of hap - py cheer?
3 Come to Beth - le - hem and see him whose birth the an - gels sing;
4 See him in a man - ger laid whom the an - gels praise a - bove;

and the moun - tains in re - ply ech - o - ing their brave de - light.
What great bright - ness did you see? What glad tid - ings did you hear?
come, a - dore on bend - ed knee Christ, the Lord, the new - born King.
Ma - ry, Jo - seph, lend your aid, while we raise our hearts in love.

Refrain
Glo - - - - - ri - a

in ex - cel - sis De - o. Glo - - - - -

- - - - - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

The Celebrant then adds

Almighty God, you have given your only-begotten Son to take our nature upon him, and to be born of a pure virgin: Grant that we, who have been born again and made your children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by your Holy Spirit; through our Lord Jesus Christ, to whom with you and the same Spirit be honor and glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Lessons

The people sit.

A Reading from the Book of Isaiah 62:6—12

Upon your walls, O Jerusalem, I have posted sentinels;
all day and all night

 they shall never be silent.

You who remind the LORD,

 take no rest,

and give him no rest

 until he establishes Jerusalem

 and makes it renowned throughout the earth.

The LORD has sworn by his right hand

 and by his mighty arm:

I will not again give your grain

 to be food for your enemies,

and foreigners shall not drink the wine

 for which you have labored;

but those who garner it shall eat it

 and praise the LORD,

and those who gather it shall drink it

 in my holy courts.

Go through, go through the gates,

 prepare the way for the people;

build up, build up the highway,

 clear it of stones,

 lift up an ensign over the peoples.

The LORD has proclaimed

 to the end of the earth:

Say to daughter Zion,

 “See, your salvation comes;

his reward is with him,

 and his recompense before him.”

They shall be called, “The Holy People,

 The Redeemed of the LORD”;

and you shall be called, “Sought Out,

 A City Not Forsaken.”

 The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Silence may follow.

Psalm 97

Dominus regnavit

- 1 The LORD is King; let the earth rejoice; *
let the multitude of the isles be glad.
- 2 Clouds and darkness are round about him, *
righteousness and justice are the foundations of his throne.
- 3 A fire goes before him *
and burns up his enemies on every side.
- 4 His lightnings light up the world; *
the earth sees it and is afraid.
- 5 The mountains melt like wax at the presence of the LORD, *
at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.
- 6 The heavens declare his righteousness, *
and all the peoples see his glory.
- 7 Confounded be all who worship carved images and delight in false gods! *
Bow down before him, all you gods.
- 8 Zion hears and is glad, and the cities of Judah rejoice, *
because of your judgments, O LORD.
- 9 For you are the LORD, most high over all the earth; *
you are exalted far above all gods.
- 10 The LORD loves those who hate evil; *
he preserves the lives of his saints
and delivers them from the hand of the wicked.
- 11 Light has sprung up for the righteous, *
and joyful gladness for those who are truehearted.
- 12 Rejoice in the LORD, you righteous, *
and give thanks to his holy Name.

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to Titus 3:4-7

When the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of any works of righteousness that we had done, but according to his mercy, through the water of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit. This Spirit he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by his grace, we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

People The Word of the Lord.
 Thanks be to God.

Silence may follow.

The Sequence Hymn 92

On This Day

1st and 2nd before
3rd and 4th after the Gospel

Introduction

1 On this day earth shall ring
 2 His the doom, ours the mirth;
 3 God's bright star, o'er his head,
 4 On this day an - gels sing;

with the song child - ren sing to the Lord, Christ our King,
 when he came down to earth Beth - le - hem saw his birth;
 Wise Men three to him led; kneel they low by his bed,
 with their song earth shall ring, prais - ing Christ, hea - ven's King,

born on earth to save us; him the Fa - ther gave us.
 ox and ass be - side him from the cold would hide him.
 lay their gifts be - fore him, praise him and a - dore him.
 born on earth to save us; peace and love he gave us.

Refrain

Id - e - o - o - o, Id - e - o - o - o,

Id - e - o glo - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o!

"Ideo gloria in excelsis Deo!" is Latin for "Therefore, glory to God in the highest!"

Then, all standing if able, the Deacon or a Priest reads the Gospel, first saying

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke 2:1-20

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. All went to their own towns to be registered. Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn. In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for see—I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger." And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favors!" When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us." So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

After the Gospel, the Reader says

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The people sit.

The Sermon

The Reverend Laura V. Queen

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
**was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.**
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. *Amen.*

Silence may follow. All kneel if able.

Anthem

Carol of the Bells
Ryan Helwig, Bass Trombone
Daniel Helwig, Recorder

The Prayers of the People

**The Leader and People pray responsively.*

Come let us adore Christ, the Lord. Let us pray “*Glorious Lord, grant us your peace*”

Christ the Lord, we humbly adore you: Make joyful our hearts.
Strengthen your church with humility and faith that we might triumph over the power of evil.
Glorious Lord, grant us your peace

Christ the Lord, we humbly adore you: you abhor neither the simple nor the lowly.
Shine you light on all the world that the nations may look upon your truth and find their salvation.
Glorious Lord, grant us your peace

Christ the Lord, we humbly adore you: may all of creation burst forth in songs of praise.
May all the works of your hand glorify you.
Glorious Lord, grant us your peace

Christ the Lord, we humbly adore you: summon the people to yourself.
May all of the distractions and heartaches of our lives fade away in the joy of your presence.
Glorious Lord, grant us your peace

Christ the Lord, we humbly adore you: you love us so deeply. Grant us your healing grace to sinners,
to the poor, to those in need of love. Open your arms to the sick and the lonely.
Let us pray for our own needs and those of others, especially... *(prayer list is read)*

(We respond by repeating the names raised by the intercessor in prayer.)

The People may add their own petitions.

The Intercessor continues.

Christ the Lord, we humbly adore you: all glory be given to you. You blessed our earthly bodies with
your birth, and promise to raise us to new life by your death and resurrection.
Glorious Lord, grant us your peace.

The Intercessor and People pray in unison.

Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on your Church, and so guide the minds of
those who shall choose a priest for this parish, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care
for your people and equip us for our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Intercessor continues.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence may be kept. Intercessor and People continue.

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
in your compassion forgive us our sins,
known and unknown,
things done and left undone;
and so uphold us by your Spirit
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of your Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Celebrant:

Blessed are you, O people of God, for the one of peace has visited you and has redeemed your sins!
May the God who dwells among you overshadow you with holiness, forgive your wrongs,
and protect you as a shepherd protects his sheep.

The Peace

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All stand if able. The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.

Announcements ~ The Offering

Celebrant Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us,
an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

The Offertory Anthem

O Come, O Come Emanuel
C.C.E.N. Bell Choir

The Doxology

Ho - ly, ho - ly,
ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the
high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer C

BCP, 369

The people remain standing if able. The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings or says

 The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People **Our hearts are with the Lord.**
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of
glory and praise.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of
interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses,
and this fragile earth, our island home.

By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race,
and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us
the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed
your trust; and we turned against one another.

Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets
and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the
fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to
fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

By his blood, he reconciled us.

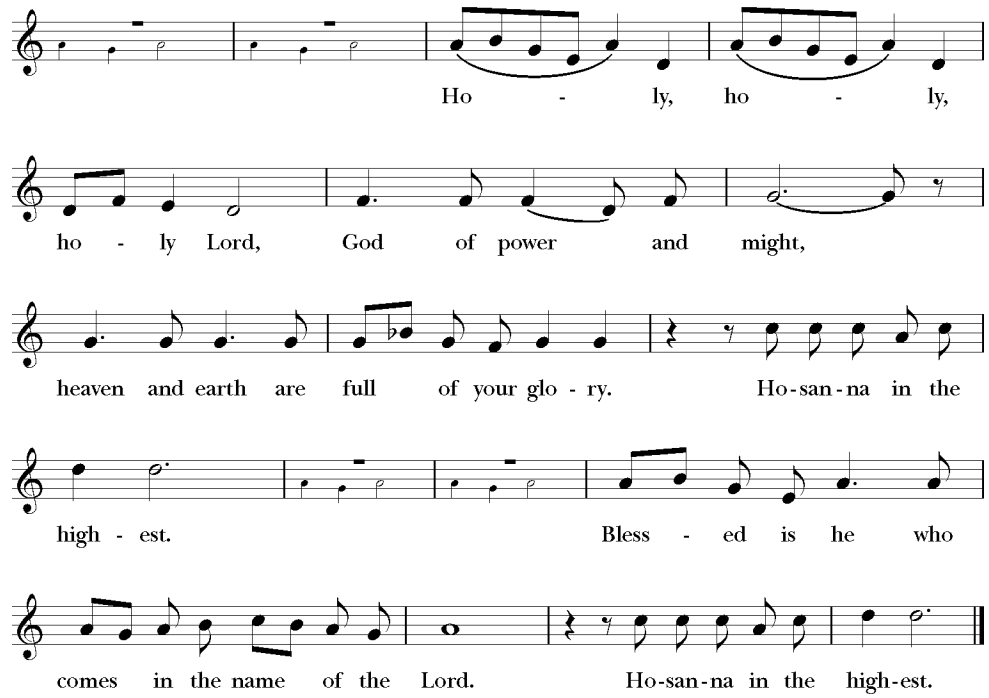
By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly
chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all
those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to
proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Sanctus:

Hymn 128

Mathias



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly,
ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the
high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

The Celebrant continues

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it, and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,
*We celebrate his death and resurrection,
as we await the day of his coming.*

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant

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Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. *Amen.*

A period of silence is kept.

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

The Agnus Dei

Hymn S165

Mathias

Je - sus, Lamb of God: Have mer - cy
on us. Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: Have mer - cy
on us. Je - sus, re - deem - er of the world: Give us your peace.

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.
Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you,
and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

(The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.)



1 God rest you mer - ry, gen - tle - men, let noth - ing you dis - may;
 2 From God our heaven - ly Fa - ther a bless - ed an - gel came
 3 "Fear not, then," said the an - gel, "Let noth - ing you af - fright;
 4 Now to the Lord sing prais - es, all you with - in this place,



re - mem - ber Christ our Sa - vior was born on Christ - mas Day,
 and un - to cer - tain shep - herds brought tid - ings of the same:
 this day is born a Sa - vior of a pure vir - gin bright,
 and with true love and char - i - ty each o - ther now em - brace;



to save us all from Sa - tan's power when we were gone a - stray.
 how that in Beth - le - hem was born the Son of God by name.
 to free all those who trust in him from Sa - tan's power and might."
 this ho - ly tide of Christ - mas doth bring re - deem - ing grace.



O tid - ings of com - fort and joy, com - fort and



joy; O tid - ings of com - fort and joy!

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

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Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever.

The Blessing

The Bishop when present, or the Priest, may bless the people.

The Amen

A - men, a - men, a - men.

All stand if able.

The Recessional Hymn 99

Go Tell It On The Mountain

Refrain

Go tell it on the moun - tain, o - ver the hills and
ev - ery - where; go tell it on the moun - tain, that
Je - sus Christ is born! 1 While shep - herds kept their
2 The shep - herds feared and
3 Down in a low - ly
watch - ing o'er si - lent flocks by night, be -
trem - bled when lo! a - bove the earth rang
man - ger the hum - ble Christ was born, and
Repeat Refrain
hold, through - out the hea - vens there shone a ho - ly light.
out the an - gel cho - rus that hailed our Sa - vior's birth.
God sent us sal - va - tion that bless - ed Christ - mas morn.

Deacon Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.
People Thanks be to God.

The Postlude

Fantasy on "Gloria In Excelsis"

Rex Koury

THE CHRISTMAS FLOWERS, HERE IN THE SANCTUARY, HAVE BEEN GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD BY THOSE LISTED. *The flowers will be delivered to shut-ins and those who are sick or in need of comfort. PLEASE DO NOT TAKE THEM TONIGHT!* ☺

For those we love, yet see no longer...

Christ Church Parish Family in loving memory of Father Perry Miller, Father Arthur Bello, Father Tom Waring, Father Esty Denkinger, Father Don Burr and Father Frank Wismer.

The wreaths on the front doors are given in loving memory of Mae and Edward Ashbrook Sr., by their loving family.

In loving memory of our dear departed friends and relatives, and in Thanksgiving for all of those still with us, by Betty and Al Belcher

In loving memory of Maryann Bieling, Catherine Craw, William and Wanda Gray, Lou and Jennie Zarrelli, Forever in our hearts. Donald, Danielle, Emma and Logan Bieling

In memory of my beloved husband, Alan C. Burr, Sr; my sisters, Beatrice and Elaine; our brothers, Gene, Jack, David, and Fr. Don; our sons, Ed, and John, our parents, and our many friends who are no longer with us. Love to all, Lorraine.

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